

this Committee of the Whole, all of which were being cleared up, we hope, by the Committee on Style.

That being the case, if it had that effect, it is something that ought to be cleared up, and I would be perfectly willing to recommend an amendment which would say "or required by law by an enactment of the General Assembly," or something to that effect, in order to exclude that which would occur by the rule-making power, which would have the force of law.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Once again, Mr. Chairman, I call your attention and call the attention of the Committee of the Whole to the fact that these are the precise words that were used, or came to the Committee as a result of the deliberations of the Commission.

My Committee, which devised these words, used the language, "as required by law", precisely as you have defined it, namely, that it required an act of the General Assembly.

THE CHAIRMAN: In view of the statements by Delegate Sherbow, and in view of the fact that the Committee on Style does have under consideration and is making a thorough review of all recommendations with respect to the use of the words in the law, I think we could leave the matter that it is intended in section 6.05 that the expression "required by law" means "required by law enacted by the General Assembly."

Would that satisfy you, Delegate Willoner?

DELEGATE WILLONER: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Penniman, can you make a note of that as one of the added complications in your already complicated studies of the expression "by law"?

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: These references to "Penniman" are really references to a committee of eleven. I trust the other members are also concerned, in addition to the assistants we have here.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

I take it, Delegate Willoner, you do not desire to offer your amendment to section 6.05?

DELEGATE WILLONER: I do not desire to offer any amendments.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any amendment to section 6.06?

The Chair hears none.

Are there any amendments to section 6.07?

Delegate Hanson.

DELEGATE HANSON: I would like to distribute my amendment.

THE CHAIRMAN: The pages will please distribute Amendment C. This will be Amendment No. 2.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 2 to Committee Recommendation SF-5, by Delegates Hanson, Gallagher, Grumbacher, Sollins, Fox, Koss, Bamberger, Maurer, Marion, B. Miller, Burdette, Scanlan, Sickles, and Morgan:

On page 3, lines 6 through 37 inclusive of Committee Recommendation SF-5, strike out all of section 6.07, Amendment of Budget Bill, and all of section 6.08, Enactment of Budget Bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 6.07. Amendment of Budget Bill.

The General Assembly may amend the budget bill by increasing or decreasing the appropriation for any item included in the budget, by transferring funds among items included in the budget or by including items not in the budget bill as introduced. The total appropriation included in the budget bill as enacted by the General Assembly shall not exceed the estimate of revenues submitted by the governor. The General Assembly shall not reduce or strike out any appropriation of sufficient funds for the timely payment of the interest upon and installments of principal of all state indebtedness and appropriations required by law for state support of public school systems. The compensation of a public officer shall not be decreased during his term of office.

Section 6.08. Enactment of Budget Bill.

The General Assembly shall remain in session until the budget has been enacted. If the budget bill shall not have been passed by both houses of the General Assembly by the eightieth day of its regular session, the General Assembly shall finally enact no other legislation until the budget bill has been enacted. Within ten days following passage of the budget bill by both houses of the General Assembly, the governor may reduce or strike out any appropriation contained in the budget bill, and each reduction or veto of an appropriation